

**ABSTRACT**

A device for treating a tissue region is supplied with a separate usage key card. The usage key card comprises a storage medium, which is 5 formatted to contain an identification code unique to the usage key card. The usage key card is adapted to be read by a remote reader, to download the identification code for processing by a controller for the device. Processing of the identification 10 code by the controller either enables or disables operation of the device according to prescribed criteria.

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